



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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GASKET FOR HIGH-TEMPERATURE JOINT AND METHOD OF FABRICATING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel all the claims in the application, without prejudice.

Please add new claims 10-26.

____10. A gasket for a high-temperature joint, the

gasket comprising:

a gasket basic substance formed by filling gaps of any one of a meshed metallic reinforcing member and a woollike metallic reinforcing member with a heat-resistant filler mainly